

# United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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## NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1977.

(Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.)

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### ADULTERATION OF MILK.

On July 10, 1912, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against William E. Cooper, Moro, Ill., alleging shipment by him, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act—

(1) On July 19, 1911, from the State of Illinois into the State of Missouri of a quantity of milk which was adulterated. The product bore no label. Analysis of a sample of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this Department showed the following results: 5,000,000 bacteria per cc, plain agar, after 2 days at 37° C.; 100,000 *B. coli* group; 1,000,000 streptococci. Adulteration of the product was alleged in the information for the reason that it was composed in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substance.

(2) On July 11, 1911, from the State of Illinois into the State of Missouri of a quantity of milk which was adulterated. The product bore no label. Analysis of a sample of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this Department showed the following results: 270,000,000 bacteria per cc, plain agar, after 2 days at 37° C.; 100,000 *B. coli* group; 100,000 streptococci. Adulteration of the product was alleged in the information for the reason that it was composed in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substance.

On July 1, 1912, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information and the court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs of \$12.50.

W. M. HAYS,  
*Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 19, 1912.